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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Commissioner:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 1 to 8, amend claim 14 and add new claims 20 to 23. Pending claims 9 to 23 follow.

- B1
- 1 A pipe running tool mountable on a rig and designed for use in handling pipe segments and
  - 2 for engaging pipe segments to a pipe string, the pipe running tool comprising:
  - 3 a top drive assembly adapted to be connected to the rig, the top drive assembly including a top drive
  - 4 output shaft, the top drive assembly being operative to rotate the drive shaft;

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